

# ***Annual Report***

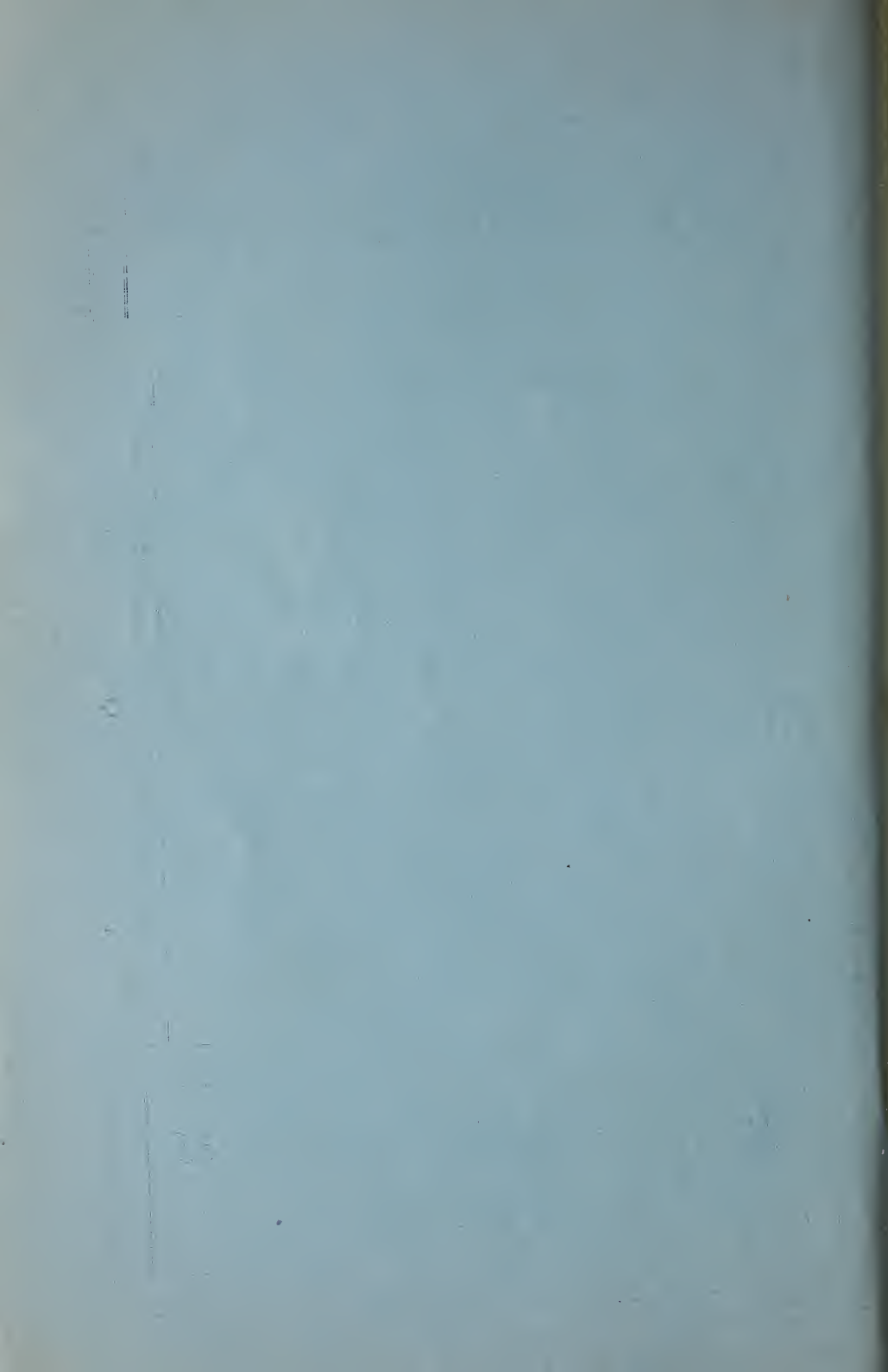
**For the Town of**

**WENDELL**

**Massachusetts**

***For Year Ending December 31***

***1942***



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
— *of the* —  
**Town Officers**  
— *of the* —  
**TOWN OF WENDELL**



— *for the* —  
**Year Ending December 31**  
**1942**

# Town Clerk's Report

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## SELECTMEN

Arthur B. Lewis	Term expires 1945	Wendell
Charles M. Ballou	Term expires 1944	Wendell Depot
Frank E. Ballou	Term expires 1943	Wendell

## BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Arthur B. Lewis	Term expires 1945	Wendell
Avery H. Harrington	Term expires 1944	Wendell
Frank E. Ballou	Term expires 1943	Wendell

## TOWN CLERK

Marion Whitney	Wendell Depot
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## TOWN TREASURER

Mildred A. Glidden	Wendell Depot
Joseph P. Hartjens, Jr., Pro Tempore	Wendell Depot

## TAX COLLECTOR

Ray M. Clark	Wendell
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## ASSESSORS

Curtis E. Tucker	Term expires 1945	Wendell
Charles M. Ballou	Term expires 1944	Wendell Depot
William D. Bowen	Term expires 1943	Erving

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Lydia M. Ellis	Term expires 1945	Wendell
Warren S. Oliver	Term expires 1944	Wendell Depot
Plinn H. Wetherby	Term expires 1943	Wendell

## AUDITOR

Reta G. Holland	Wendell Depot
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## CONSTABLE

Rubert V. Goddard	Wendell
Elinor L. Goddard, Pro Tempore	Wendell

## TREE WARDEN

Clifford H. Brown	Wendell
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## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Charles H. Jennison	Term expires 1945	Wendell
Curtis E. Tucker	Term expires 1944	Wendell
Eugene R. Hutchinson	Term expires 1943	Wendell

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Henry P. Champlin	Term expires 1945	Wendell
Eunice O. Marcey	Term expires 1944	Orange
Eugene R. Hutchinson	Term expires 1943	Wendell

## SURVEYORS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER

Charles H. Jennison	Wendell
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## FIELD DRIVER

Arthur Glidden

Wendell Depot

## FENCE VIEWER

Arthur Glidden

Wendell Depot

## APPOINTED OFFICERS

## SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Frank E. Ballou

Wendell

## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND STABLES

George W. Gore

Wendell

## INSPECTOR OF MILK

Avery H. Harrington

Wendell

## FOREST WARDEN

Glenn O. Ellis, Resigned

Wendell

Ralph M. Carey

Wendell

## INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Ralph M. Carey

Wendell

## SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK

Arthur G. Glidden

Wendell Depot

DOG OFFICER

Rubert V. Goddard

Wendell

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

George Gosselin

Wendell Depot

TOWN COUNSEL

Charles Fairhurst

Greenfield

WELFARE PHYSICIAN

Dr. Maxwell Molotchick

Millers Falls

CLERK AND SECRETARY OF SELECTMEN AND

BOARD OF HEALTH

Mildred A. Glidden

Wendell Depot

# Town Clerk's Report

## APPROPRIATIONS

Annual Town Meeting March 2, 1942

	By taxation	Other sources
Library from Dog fund		\$ 136 17
Road Machinery account (Note 38 and interest)		1900 00
Board of Health	\$ 100 00	
Old Age Assistance cases	1200 00	3800 00
Old Age Assistance administration	100 00	
Board of Public Welfare	1000 00	1920 00
Board of Public Welfare expense account	150 00	
Schools	6275 00	3725 00
Aid to Dependent Children		300 00
Snow and Sanding	1000 00	
Fire Department (\$100) Fire Patrol Work (\$100)	200 00	
Chapter 81 Roads	720 00	
Soldier's Relief (\$100) World War 2 Relief (\$100)	200 00	
Interest on Notes	45 00	
Salaries and Expenses	1200 00	
Miscellaneous	1500 00	
Bonding Town Officials	50 00	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	445 16	
Contingency fund	400 00	144 45
Moth Work	150 00	



Tree Warden	\$ 50 00
Cemetery Work	50 00
Memorial Day	25 00
Collection of Taxes	250 00
Posts and Railings	200 00
Bridges	100 00
Chapter 90 Resurfacing	1000 00
Day Mortgage Interest	255 00
Civilian Defense	200 00
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	\$16865 16 \$11925 62

Special Town Meeting December 10, 1942

Transferred from the Road Machinery Earnings to  
the Road Machinery account the sum of \$150 00.

# Town Clerk's Report

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## VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE TOWN OF WENDELL FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1942

### BIRTHS REGISTERED

Date	Name and Place of Birth	Parents
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#### JANUARY

2	Bruce Ralph Clark Montague	Gerald Francis Clark Arlene Hazel (Sherbut) Clark
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#### MARCH

13	Raymond Carol Wirth, Jr. Montague	Raymond Carol Wirth Louise Nellie (Drozowski) Wirth
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#### JUNE

13	Rita Dorothy Rondeau Montague	Leon Rondeau Elizabeth (Lafontain) Rondeau
22	Judith Ann Bezio Montague	Leon Bezio Grace (Powling) Bezio
28	Joseph Albert Diemand Montague	Albert Joseph Diemand, Jr. Elsie Gertrude (Diemand) Diemand

#### JULY

11	Delores Inez Lewis Wendell	Arthur B. Lewis Inez (French) Lewis
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## SEPTEMBER

- |    |                           |                                   |
|----|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 20 | Kenneth Edward Noyes, Jr. | Kenneth Edward Noyes              |
|    | Ware                      | Ernestine Florence (Parker) Noyes |

## OCTOBER

- |    |                       |                             |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1  | Joan Irma Webster     | George Albert Webster       |
|    | Wendell               | Delphine (Fox) Webster      |
| 23 | James Elliott Andrews | Elmore Clifton Andrews      |
|    | Wendell               | Lena Laura (Taylor) Andrews |

## DECEMBER

- |    |                       |                               |
|----|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| 22 | Marjorie Alice Ballou | Robert Ernest Ballou          |
|    | Montague              | Winona Alice (Bumford) Ballou |

## Comparison of Births for the past five years


1937	1938	1939	1940	1941
7	6	9	12	6

Attention is called to General Laws, Chapter 46, Section 6 which states: Parents within forty days after the birth of a child and every householder within forty days after the birth in his house shall cause notice thereof to be given to the Clerk of the town where such child is born. The blanks may be obtained at the Town Clerk's office for filing such notice.

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED

Date	Place	Name
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## JANUARY

- |    |        |                                    |
|----|--------|------------------------------------|
| 20 | Erving | Robert E. Ballou<br>Winona Bumford |
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MAY

2	Erving	John Lewis VanRensselaer
		Laura Celina Bezio
17	Athol	Ernest Louis Blake
		Helen Janet Robinson

JUNE

13	Orange	Rubert Victor Goddard
		Elinor Louise Bean

SEPTEMBER

13	Erving	Harry Flavius Putnam
		Gertrude Almira (Carter) Sabot

NOVEMBER

26	Wendell	Chester Eugene Fiske, Jr.
		Nancy Elizabeth Wirth
28	Bernardston	Edwin Dwight Austin
		Mae Georgianna Bezio

DECEMBER

24	Orange	John Jacob Damon
		Barbara Ruth Gore

Comparison of Marriages for the past five years

1937	1938	1939	1940	1941
5	5	5	5	8

# DEATHS REGISTERED

Date	Name	Age Yrs. Mos. Dys.	Cause	Place of Death
JANUARY				
5	Lorenzo W. Gould	88 8 1	Arterio Sclerosis	Orange, Mass.
OCTOBER				
9	Ida A. Rice	86	Broncho Pneumonia	Gardner, Mass.

### Comparison of Deaths for the past five years

1937	1938	1939	1940	1941
7	12	5	3	2

Any person noticing errors or omissions in the foregoing records will confer a favor by making it known to the Town Clerk at once that she may make corrections on the Town Records.

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For the benefit of owners and keepers of dogs the following extract of the General Laws is submitted:

### General Laws, Chapter 140

Section 137. Licenses and tags. The owner or keeper of a dog which is three months old or over shall annually on or before March 31 cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed one year from the first day of April following.

The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck or body, a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material to which shall be securely attached a tag in a form prescribed by the director, and upon which shall appear the license number, the name of the town and year of issue. And if any such tag shall be lost the owner or keeper of such dog shall forthwith secure a substitute tag from the Town Clerk at a cost of ten cents.

Section 138. The owner or keeper of a dog may at any time have it licensed until the first day of April following and a person who becomes the owner or keeper of a dog after April first which is not duly licensed and the owner or keeper of a dog which becomes three months old after March thirty-first in any year shall when it is three months old cause it to be registered, described, licensed and collared or harnessed and tagged as required by Section 137.

## NUMBER OF DOG LICENSES ISSUED

51 males at \$2.00	\$102 00	
10 females at \$5.00	50 00	
21 spayed females at \$2.00	42 00	
	<hr/>	\$194 00

Paid to Town Treasurer	\$177 60	
82 License Fees at 20c retained	16 40	
	<hr/>	\$194 00

Two licenses transferred at 25c	\$	50
Transfer fees retained by Town Clerk		50

## NUMBER OF SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED

29 Resident Citizens Hunting at \$2.00	\$58 00	
39 Resident Citizens Fishing at \$2.00	78 00	
12 Resident Citizens Sporting at \$3.25	39 00	
14 Resident Citizens Minor and Female Fishing at \$1.25	17 50	
2 Non-resident 3-day Fishing at \$1.50	3 00	
1 Resident Citizens Trapping at \$5.25	5 25	
5 Resident Citizens Sporting free (over 70 years of age)		
1 Duplicate at \$ .50	50	
	<hr/>	\$201 25

Paid to Division of Fisheries and Game	\$177 00	
97 License Fees at 25 cents	24 25	
	<hr/>	\$201 25



JURORS FOR 1942

Alvin Fiske (Grand Juror)

Walter Hornberger (Traverse Juror)

Respectfully submitted,

MARION WHITNEY

Town Clerk

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January 15, 1943

I have audited the books of the Town Clerk to the best of my ability and find them to be correct.

RETA G. HOLLAND

Auditor



## Selectmen's Report

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Since our last town report was printed many changes have taken place, both in the personnel of our town officers and in the method of doing town work. Some of these conditions were caused by the war, others were made necessary due to the old method of keeping our books, and on recommendation of the State Auditing Department. It was found that many services were paid out of the following year's appropriations. In order to take care of this condition it was necessary to pay several salaries twice during this year. This, of course, caused an extra heavy drain on some departments. In the miscellaneous department, alone, there are extra payments of several hundred dollars. \* Even with all these extra payments we were able to pay all bills received by the selectmen as of December 31st, although there have been other bills received since then which we were unable to pay, due to the fact that our books closed on that date. In some instances there was more than enough money to take care of these bills. But as this is one of the state department's rules, that no bills be paid after the first of the year from the past year's appropriation, these bills will have to be paid by a vote of the people at this regular election. There is one other item which we feel should be called to your attention. This is in regard to the clerk of the Old Age Assistance. The Board of Selectmen and the Old Age Assistance felt at that time that if the town was compelled to hire a civil service worker it would cost the town up to a thousand dollars a year. Nothing has happened since to change our opinion. We, therefore, decided to take the matter to court. As you already know, the town won the case. This one case alone, we feel, over a period of time, will save the town many thousands of dollars and the

total cost was less than \$135.00, which has been paid from the current appropriation.

We wish, also, to thank the members of the rationing board and the people who have served on the civilian defense committee the past year, with the one hope in mind that by the time that our next annual report is due, these committees will have returned to their normal way of living, and peace will be with us once more.

CHARLES M. BALLOU  
ARTHUR B. LEWIS  
FRANK E. BALLOU

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REPORT OF FINANCIAL EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1942

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MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$1500 00
Transferred from Contingency	144 80
Total	<hr/> \$1644 80

Ray M. Clark, Inspector of Stables (1941)	\$ 50 00
G. Gore, Inspector of Stables (1942)	41 70
Charles Fairhurst, Town Counsellor (1941)	75 30
Charles Fairhurst, Town Counsellor (1942)	204 40
Hobbs and Warren, forms for selectmen	3 17
Enterprise and Journal, tax titles and letterheads	10 73
Social Service, index	3 00
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	7 20
Town of Athol, rental, surplus commodities	16 80

G. P. Harrington, stationery	\$ 2 50
R. Carey, stamping meat	1 00
C. M. Ballou, certifying tax titles	25
Thompson Insurance Co., Day property	5 00
Hobbs and Warren, assessors' forms	5 18
Ruth Champlin, janitor hall	2 00
R. Ballou, repairs, pump	3 00
James Pratt, delivering surplus commodities	4 00
John Bond, insurance, garage	88 08
A. Lewis, registers listing	25 00
F. E. Ballou, wood, hall	20 00
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	2 70
U. S. Treas., S. C. D. administration	104 86
Ruth Champlin, janitor hall	2 00
A. Harrington, milk inspector	10 00
Franklin County, registering deeds	2 10
Election Clerks	
Louise Clark	4 00
Gertrude Field	4 00
L. Bowen	4 00
Effie Bowen	4 00
Arthur Lewis	4 00
Fitzgerald Book Co., selectmen's book	3 00
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	2 70
Athol Savings Bank, interest mortgage	3 44
C. M. Ballou, certifying tax title	75
Enterprise and Journal, ballots and town reports	167 79
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	3 60
Mildred Glidden, salary, clerk	10 00
R. Carey, meat inspector	1 00
Mildred Glidden, salary and expense	6 60
Charles M. Ballou, certifying	50
Hobbs and Warren, blanks, books and forms	14 31
James Kimball, insurance	35 20
Ruth Champlin, janitor hall	4 00

Hobbs and Warren, tax bills, envelopes, cards	14 20
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	6 90
Hobbs and Warren, selectmen's warrants	4 18
Town of Athol, surplus commodities	17 22
Hobbs and Warren, assessors' blanks	1 99
C. A. Lewis, stamps, tax collector	5 00
Mildred Glidden, salary	10 06
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	95
Hobbs and Warren, tax bills	12 68
Hobbs and Warren, supplies	68
Hobbs and Warren, sealers' supplies	1 05
C. A. Lewis, stamps, tax collector	7 03
Ruth Champlin, janitor hall	2 00
Glenn O. Ellis, salary, forest warden	13 10
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	4 22
C. H. Demond, pads, tax collector	25
A. Lewis, repairs, hall	9 40
Ralph Carey, part salary	1 50
Frank Ballou, wood, hall	11 00
Enterprise and Journal, envelopes tax col- lector	3 25
Mildred Glidden, salary	5 00
Hobbs and Warren, assessors' forms	22 66
C. A. Lewis, stamps, tax collector	3 00
Town of Athol, storage	17 21
Town of Athol, taxes	3 62
Ralph Carey, inspection, meat	1 00
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	1 07
Arthur Lewis, cleaning hall	6 00
Mildred Glidden, salary	10 00
Arthur Lewis, moderator special meeting	2 00
Hobbs and Warren, forms, assessors	48
Partridge Insurance Agency, library in- surance	26 25
Arthur Lewis, repair and paint, garage	24 70
McKenney's Station, batteries, Delco	26 85
C. A. Lewis, stamps, tax collector	1 00

C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	\$ 95	
R. Ballou, mowing common	12 00	
R. Champlin, janitor, hall	3 00	
Frank Bond, ice chest, hall	8 50	
Mildred Glidden, salary and expenses	6 00	
C. A. Lewis, gas, oil, Delco	6 70	
As per state audit		\$1031 97
Election clerks		
Marion Whitney	\$ 3 00	
L. Carey	3 00	
Helen Gore	3 00	
L. Bowen	3 00	
J. Hartjens	3 00	
Orange Lumber Co., supplies, hall	2 41	
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	14 25	
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	3 80	
A. Lewis, supplies, town hall	2 00	
Town of Athol, rent W. P. A.	13 36	
Orange Hardware, lock, keys, garage	1 20	
C. M. Ballou, certifying tax title	50	
Franklin County Registry of Deeds, tax title	2 03	
Franklin County Register of Deeds, tax title	2 10	
F. E. Ballou, wood, hall	6 00	
C. M. Ballou, wood, hall	48 00	
R. Carey, inspecting meat	1 00	
Election Clerks		
H. Gore	4 00	
L. Carey	4 00	
L. Bowen	4 00	
J. Hartjens	4 00	
C. M. Ballou	4 00	
Ruth Champlin, janitor, hall	3 50	
E. Taylor, throwing in wood, hall	4 00	
C. A. Lewis, gas, Delco	19 00	
R. Carey, inspecting meat	14 00	
A. Lewis, special town meeting	2 00	

C. M. Ballou, wood, hall	\$120 00	
L. Powling, throwing in wood	3 00	
R. Ballou, throwing in wood	3 00	
E. Taylor, throwing in wood	3 00	
R. Ballou, sawing wood, hall	15 00	
G. Gosselin, salary, sealer of weights and measures	12 50	
R. Carey, salary, Fire Warden	16 65	
C. Tucker, moving safe	1 00	
H. Champlin, moving safe	1 00	
R. Carey, inspecting meat	8 00	
Total	<hr/>	\$1644 12
Appropriation	\$1500 00	
Transferred from Contingency	144 80	
Total	<hr/>	\$1644 80
Unexpended balance		68

## CONTINGENCY FUND

Appropriation	\$544 45
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## Transferred Amounts

Fire Department	\$ 57 25	
Federal Projects	125 00	
Salary, expenses	60 00	
Workmen's Compensation	32 40	
Miscellaneous	144 80	
Bridge Department	125 00	
Total Expenditure	<hr/>	\$544 45
Appropriation		544 45
Balance		<hr/> 000 00



## COLLECTION OF TAXES

Appropriation	\$250 00	
Ray Clark, salary for 10 months	208 33	
Balance	<hr/>	\$41 67

This amount includes only salary. Other expenses are paid from miscellaneous and expense accounts. See Tax Collector's report for itemized expenditures.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

Reta Holland, salary	\$20 80	
Lydia Ellis, salary	5 00	
Effie Bowen, salary	20 00	
Total	<hr/>	\$45 80

## TREE WARDEN REPORT

Appropriation		\$50 00
Clifford Brown, Warden, labor and transportation	\$43 00	
Material	2 59	
	<hr/>	\$45 59
Expended		45 59
Appropriation		50 00
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Unexpended balance		\$4 41

## FEDERAL PROJECTS

As per State Audit Sept. 12, 1942

Expended		\$223 16
Springfield Cold Storage Co.	\$ 55	
Springfield Cold Storage Co.	1 65	
Laura Ballou, milk	22 10	

Streeter's Cash Market	\$56 52	
G. Lewis, axe	2 00	
Laura Ballou, milk	20 80	
Streeter's Cash Market	21 72	
	<hr/>	\$125 34
As per audit		223 16
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		\$348 50
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Balance		\$3 48

### FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FIRE PATROL

Fire Patrol Appropriation		\$100 00
None Expended		
Fire Department Appropriation		100 00
Transferred from Contingency Fund		57 25
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		\$157 25
Harrington Fire	\$ 8 50	
Cushman Fire	34 00	
Wendell Depot Fire	5 50	
W. Oliver, Fire	3 50	
Glidden Farm Fire	29 70	
I. Ellis, Fire	3 00	
Harrington Fire	7 00	
Bezio Fire	12 50	
Thompson Fire	3 00	
Orange Fire Department, labor only	46 00	
Orange Hardware Co., supplies	5 75	
	<hr/>	\$157 25
Total appropriation		157 25
Expended		157 25

### CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Appropriation, 1941, and 1942	\$250 00
Expended as per State Audit	174 37



C. A. Lewis, supplies	\$ 95	
G. P. Harrington, supplies	2 14	
A. Lewis, transporting supplies	6 00	
C. H. Demond, transporting supplies		
O. P. A.	6 45	
	<hr/>	
	\$15 54	
Expended as per State Audit		\$174 37
		15 54
		<hr/>
Total		\$189 91
Balance		60 01

## MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		\$25 00
Speaker	\$ 6 00	
Food, flags, wreaths, all other expenses	18 47	
Total	<hr/>	24 47
Unexpended		53

## INTEREST ON NOTES

Appropriation	\$45 00
Orange National Bank, interest on loan	42 00
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Unexpended balance	\$3 00

## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	\$300 00
Unexpended	300 00

There were no active cases this year.

## CEMETERY WORK

Appropriation		\$50 00
Expended		29 50
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Unexpended		\$20 50
Plus interest		43 24
		<hr/>
Total		\$63 74
Locks Village Cemetery, labor	\$13 00	
Center Cemetery, labor	16 50	
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Total	\$29 50	

## SUPPRESSION OF MOTHS

Appropriation		\$150 00
Superintendent, labor and transportation	\$140 00	
	<hr/>	\$140 00
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Balance		\$10 00

## BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriation		\$100 00
Case No. 1, medicine	\$ 90	
Case No. 2, dog bite treatments	21 00	
K. L. Alexander, clinic	10 00	
M. B. Molotchick, medical check-up on workers	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$41 90
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Balance		\$58 10

## SOLDIERS' RELIEF

## World War No. 1 and No. 2

World War No. 1, Appropriation		\$100 00
World War No. 2, Appropriation		100 00
Case No. 1, World War No. 1 Medical	\$12 00	

Transportation	\$4 00	
Total	<hr/>	\$16 00
Unexpended balance		84 00

World War No. 2  
None expended

### BOND FOR TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation		\$50 00
H. Walker, Treasurer	\$ 8 50	
J. D. Kimball, Treasurer	8 50	
J. D. Kimball, Town Clerk	7 50	
J. D. Kimball, Tax Collector	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$49 50
Balance		<hr/> \$ 50

### WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Appropriation		\$465 16
Transferred from Contingency Fund		32 40
		<hr/> \$497 56
Partridge Insurance Agency	\$465 16	
Partridge Insurance Agency, for balance year 1942	32 40	
Total	<hr/>	\$497 56

### CHAPTER 81

Appropriated		\$ 720 00
State appropriation		7200 00
		<hr/> \$7920 00
Superintendent and labor	\$3937 65	
Town equipment	1138 50	

## Material

G. Baker, sand	\$124 40
G. Tyler, sand	8 00
F. Smith, sand	265 80
L. Bowen, sand	1 20
G. Ellis, sand	1 00

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 \$276 00

## Culverts

N. E. Culvert Co.	\$167 58
Penn. Culvert Co.	49 98

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 \$217 56

## Outside Men and Trucks

Glenn Ellis	\$445 50
I. Ellis	286 50
R. Carey	36 00
F. E. Ballou	646 00

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 \$1414 00

## Total expenditure

\$7919 96

## Balance

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 \$ 04

## CHAPTER 90

## Maintenance

Appropriation	\$1000 00
State	500 00

Superintendent and labor	\$ 323 90
Tarvia	1047 76
Sand	23 60
F. E. Ballou, man and truck	33 00
Town trucks	66 00

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 \$1494 26

## Balance unexpended

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 \$ 5 24

## ROAD MACHINERY DEPARTMENT

## Expense Fund

Appropriation	\$1900 00
Special town meeting transfer	150 00

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 \$2050 00

As per State Audit September 12, 1942 \$1613 92

H. F. Davis Tractor Co.	\$ 33 55
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil	10 70
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil	7 45
Frank Hause, snath	1 65
Highland Service Station, lubrication	1 00
A. B. C. Motor, transportation expense	1 98
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil	5 15
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil	7 85
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil	5 00
Rubert Goddard, labor	6 00
Lewis Powling, labor	4 00
Andrew Fox, labor	4 00
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil	5 00
Cormier Garage, lubrication and grease	2 50
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil	3 25
Home Supply Co., locks	1 20
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil	6 90
Philip Nystrom, labor	2 00
H. F. Davis Co., ice grousers, tractor	180 00
McKenney's Service, oil for tractor	
Sept., Oct.	7 80
Cormier Garage, repairs and parts	23 20
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil, No. 2	5 75
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil, No. 2	4 60
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil	16 20
R. Ballou, repair, tractor	9 50
E. Taylor, repair, tractor	1 00

L. Powling, repair, tractor	\$ 3 00	
C. A. Lewis, gas and oil	10 10	
Shell Oil Co., supplies, tractor	10 78	
McKenney's Service, Frezone and gas	8 80	
F. E. Ballou, plates, town equipment	6 00	
Dyar Sales Co., tractor	23 35	
F. E. Ballou, expenses	79	
F. E. Ballou, expenses	4 85	
Total		<u>\$2038 77</u>
Balance		\$11 23

## MACHINERY EARNINGS

Tractor	\$467 00	
Truck No. 1	389 25	
Truck No. 2	469 50	
Scraper	49 75	
Other equipment	18 00	
Total		<u>\$1393 50</u>

## SNOW AND SANDING

Appropriation		\$1000 00
Superintendent and labor	\$576 20	
Town trucks, V 1	66 00	
Town trucks, V 2	54 00	
Town tractor	69 00	
Material	41 20	
G. O. Ellis, men and trucks	34 50	
F. E. Ballou, men and trucks	58 50	
Total		<u>\$899 40</u>
Material		
Sand	\$ 3 20	
Salt	38 00	
		<u>\$41 20</u>
Expended		<u>\$899 40</u>
Unexpended balance		\$100 60

## DAY PROPERTY MORTGAGE

Appropriation		\$255 00
Mortgage, with interest	\$250 73	
Mildred Glidden, expenses	3 03	
	<hr/>	\$253 76
Balance		<hr/> \$1 24

## POST AND RAILINGS

Appropriation		\$200 00
Superintendent and labor	\$85 00	
Town truck	3 00	
R. Carey, man and truck	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$100 00
Balance		<hr/> \$100 00

## BRIDGES

Appropriation		\$100 00
Transferred from contingency fund		125 00
Total		<hr/> \$225 00
Superintendent and labor	\$124 00	
Material		
T. S. Mann, plank	42 00	
R. M. Ballou, plank	16 44	
D. Rowe, lumber	40 30	
O. Collard, spikes	2 85	
	<hr/>	\$225 59
Unexpended balance		<hr/> \$ 59

## SALARIES AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT

**Treasurer**

As per State Audit		\$377 77
Mildred Glidden, salary	\$10 00	
G. P. Harrington, envelopes	1 25	
E. Humphrey, stamps	1 50	
Hobbs and Warren, supplies and stamp	2 83	
Mildred Glidden, salary	98 75	
Orange National Bank, checks	3 73	
M. Glidden, stamps	3 00	
J. P. Hartjens, supplies	15 18	
M. Glidden, transportation and expenses	4 93	
J. P. Hartjens, salary	31 25	

**Auditor**

Reta Holland, salary	\$20 00
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**Selectmen and Welfare**

C. M. Ballou, salary	\$156 25
A. B. Lewis, part salary	62 50
F. E. Ballou, part salary	125 00
Avery Harrington, part salary	11 25
C. H. Demond, supplies	7 90
Mildred Glidden, stamps	75
C. M. Ballou, telephone and supplies	1 11
Arthur Lewis, clerk hire	3 50
New England Tel. and Tel. Co., install telephone	3 75
Arthur Lewis, telephone	3 17

**Town Clerk**

Marion Whitney, salary	\$125 00
Marion Whitney, stamps and expenses	3 50

**Assessors**

M. A. Glidden, expenses	\$ 68
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Charles M. Ballou, salary	37 50
Curtis Tucker, salary	37 50
William Bowen, salary	37 50
Reta Holland, part salary	28 25
Reta Holland, supplies	2 86

### Constable

Rubert Goddard, salary	\$25 00
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### Tax Collector's Expense

C. A. Lewis, stamps	\$3 33	
Hobbs and Warren, tax forms	3 18	
Total	<hr/>	\$1250 47

Appropriation	\$1200 00
Transferred from contingency fund	60 00
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	\$1260 00
Expended	1250 47
	<hr/>
Unexpended balance	\$9 53

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES M. BALLOU  
ARTHUR B. LEWIS  
FRANK E. BALLOU

Board of Selectmen

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I have audited the books of the Selectmen to the best of my ability and find them to be correct.

RETA G. HOLLAND,  
Auditor

## Tax Collector's Report for 1942

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January 1st, 1942, to March 10th, 1942, Inclusive

1939 Real Estate Outstanding December		
31st, 1941	\$57 40	
Paid to Treasurer	8 00	
Outstanding March 10th, 1942	\$49 40	

Interest, Real Estate		08
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1940 Polls Outstanding December 31, 1941	\$2 00	
Paid to Treasurer	2 00	

Warrant closed February 17, 1942

1940 Real Estate Outstanding December		
31, 1941	\$85 00	
Paid to Treasurer	20 00	
Outstanding March 10, 1942	\$65 00	

1940 Personal Outstanding December 31,		
1941	\$464 13	
Outstanding March 10, 1942		\$464 13

Interest Real Estate	\$	80	
Interest Polls		12	
Demand Polls		35	
		\$1 27	

## COMMITMENTS 1941

Polls, Outstanding December 31, 1941	\$14 00	
Paid to Treasurer	2 00	
Outstanding March 10, 1942	<u>          </u>	\$12 00
Real Estate Outstanding December 31, 1941	\$881 44	
Paid to Treasurer	256 21	
Outstanding March 10, 1942	<u>          </u>	\$625 23
Personal Outstanding December 31, 1941	\$604 68	
Paid to Treasurer	53 39	
Outstanding March 10, 1942	<u>          </u>	\$551 29
Motor Excise Outstanding December 31, 1941	\$44 28	
Paid to Treasurer	44 28	
Warrant closed March 10, 1942	<u>          </u>	
Interest Real Estate	\$1 38	
Personal	45	
Motor Excise	04	
Demands, Polls	1 40	
Motor Excise	35	
	<u>          </u>	\$3 62

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL W. FIELD,

Tax Collector

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 Wendell, Mass., April 5, 1942

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that I have examined the books and report

of the Tax Collector, Daniel W. Field, to March 10, 1942, and have found them correct.

RETA G. HOLLAND

Auditor

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TAXES RECOMMITTED APRIL 8TH, 1942

1939 Real Estate Taxes

Outstanding March 10, 1942		\$49 40
Paid Treasurer	\$49 40	49 40

1940 Real Estate Taxes

Outstanding March 10, 1942		\$65 00
Paid Treasurer	\$65 00	65 00

1940 Personal Taxes

Outstanding March 10, 1942		\$464 13
Paid Treasurer	\$ 14 13	
Outstanding December 31, 1942	450 00	\$464 13

1941 Real Estate Taxes

Outstanding March 10, 1942		\$625 23
Tax Title returned by state audit	\$3 00	
Outstanding taxes		\$623 23
Paid Treasurer including tax title	\$530 73	
Cash on hand	10 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1942	87 50	
	<hr/>	\$628 23

1941 Personal Taxes

Outstanding March 10, 1942		\$551 29
Paid Treasurer	\$ 7 05	
Abatements	4 24	
Outstanding December 31, 1942	540 00	
	<hr/>	\$551 29

1941 Poll Taxes		
Outstanding March 10, 1942		\$12 00
Paid Treasurer	\$8 00	
Abatements	4 00	
	<hr/>	12 00

## COMMITMENTS 1942

Real Estate		\$5628 90
Paid Treasurer	\$4884 15	
Abatements	70 50	
Check against tax title account	37 95	
Cash on hand December 31, 1942	75 25	
Outstanding December 31, 1942	561 05	
	<hr/>	\$5628 90

Personal 1942		
Personal taxes		\$2227 53
Paid Treasurer	\$2089 67	
Abatements	60 00	
Cash on hand December 31, 1942	16 20	
Outstanding December 31, 1942	61 66	
	<hr/>	\$2227 53

1942 Poll Taxes		
Poll taxes		\$246 00
Paid Treasurer	\$216 00	
Abatements	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$246 00

1942 Excise Taxes		
Excise Taxes		\$481 17
Paid Treasurer	\$463 17	
Cash on hand December 31, 1942	14 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1942	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$481 17

## Interest Collected in 1942 and Paid to Treasurer

1939 Interest on Real Estate	\$ 5 69	
1940 Interest on Real Estate	4 55	
1940 Interest on Personal	91	
1941 Interest on Real Estate	15 20	
1941 Interest on Personal	23	
1941 Interest on Polls	41	
1942 Interest on Real Estate	4 35	
1942 Interest on Personal	1 42	
1942 Interest on Polls	71	
1942 Interest on Excise	49	
Paid to Treasurer	<hr/>	\$33 96
1941 Demands on Polls	\$ 35	
1942 Demands on Polls	3 15	
1942 Demands on Excise	1 05	
Paid to Treasurer	<hr/>	\$4 55
Interest on hand December 31, 1942		
1942 Real Estate	\$ 83	
1942 Personal	16	
1942 Excise	03	
Paid to Treasurer January 5, 1943	<hr/>	\$1 02
Cash on hand December 31, 1942		
1941 Real Estate	\$10 00	
1942 Real Estate and Personal	91 45	
1942 Excise	14 00	
Paid to Treasurer, January 5, 1943	<hr/>	\$115 45

By order of Commissioner Long, the 1940 and 1941 Personal Taxes of Four Hundred and Fifty and Five Hundred Forty Dollars are going to be taken off the Tax Collector's Books and set up on the Books of the Town of Wendell, an account headed Northeastern Timber Salvage Administration.

Respectfully submitted,

RAY M. CLARK,

Tax Collector

January 22, 1943

I have this day audited the books of the Tax Collector to the best of my knowledge and find them to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

RETA G. HOLLAND

Auditor



# Treasurer's Report

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM NOVEMBER 12 TO  
DECEMBER 31, 1942

## RECEIPTS

Cash deposited in Orange National Bank	
November 12, 1942	\$13629 26
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	
Old Age Assistance	1060 98
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grants	862 82
Temporary Aid and Transportation	1568 29
Contract No. 8392, Chapter 90	498 09
Dept. of Public Works, Div. of Highways	1238 29
Dept. of Welfare, Tuition	202 24
Support of Indigent Persons	63 00
Balance Sheet of November 20, 1942	
Income Tax	892 52
Business Corporation Tax	514 06
One-half Dis. of Highway Funds	1422 37
Supplementary Balance Sheet of Dec. 30, 1942	
Gas, Electric Light and Water	95 47
Business Corporation Tax	160 07
Earnings of Road Machinery	100 50
Received from Ray M. Clark, Tax Collector	
1942 Personal Property	1959 51
1942 Personal Property, Interest	1 42
1942 Real Estate	1820 94



1942 Real Estate, Interest	\$ 4 35
1942 Motor Vehicle Excise	17 97
1942 Motor Vehicle Excise, Interest	29
1942 Poll Tax	4 00
1942 Poll Tax, Interest	16
Fees on Polls	70
1941 Real Estate	73 95
1941 Real Estate, Interest	18
1941 Personal Property, Interest	2 92
Rent of Town Hall	1 50
School Lunch, Cash	40 06
A. B. C. Motor Transportation Co.	
Refund on Transportation of Grouzers	1 98
George Gosselin, Sealer of Weights and Measures	
Fees	80
Gas Tax, Refund	1 95
Fines, Sales of Magazines	
From March 9, to December 31, 1942	5 70
	<hr/> \$26246 34

## PAYMENTS

Schools	\$2632 00
Welfare	348 87
Federal Old Age Assistance	835 00
Federal Old Age Assistance Administration	27 50
Town Old Age Assistance	907 46
Town Old Age Assistance Administration	30 50
Road Machinery	330 32
Miscellaneous	467 49
Snow Removal and Sanding	335 20
Federal Projects (School lunch)	87 59
Salaries and Expenses	591 33
Fire and Fire Patrol	71 50
Civilian Defense	12 45

Chapter 81	\$134 70	
Bridges	85 00	
Posts and Railings	33 00	
Moth Suppression	118 00	
State Tax	750 00	
State Parks and Reservations	12 81	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	58 79	
Income Tax (due Commonwealth)	185 04	
Library	17 13	
Workmen's Insurance	32 40	
Tax Collector's Salary (10 months)	208 33	
Dog Licenses (Paid to County Treasurer)	111 60	
Surety Bond (Treasurer)	8 50	
Interest on Notes	21 00	
		<hr/>
		\$ 8453 51
Cash Balance (December 31, 1942)		17792 83
		<hr/>
		\$26246 34

### OUTSTANDING DEBT

Note No. 39, due April 28, 1943	\$600 00	
Note No. 40, due April 28, 1944	600 00	
Note No. 41, due April 28, 1945	600 00	
Note No. 42, due April 28, 1946	600 00	
Total		<hr/>
		\$2400 00

### TAX TITLE ACCOUNT

Benjamin F. Fletcher	\$53 21	
Ethan V. Howard	18 46	
Frederick T. Lyman	10 52	
Frederick T. Lyman	21 43	
William G. Hawkes	70 48	
Orange Lumber Company	18 59	
Total		<hr/>
		\$192 69

# Treasurer's Report

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## PART I

January 1st, 1942 through September 12th, 1942

### RECEIPTS

January 1st, 1942—Balance	\$20186 66
Daniel W. Field, 1939 Taxes	\$ 8 00
Interest	08
1940 Taxes	22 00
Interest and costs	1 27
1941 Taxes	375 38
Interest and costs	3 62
Ray M. Clark, 1939 Taxes	49 40
Interest	5 69
1940 Taxes	79 13
Interest	5 46
1941 Taxes	390 34
Interest and costs	11 31
1942 Taxes	2402 39
Interest and costs	3 03
William J. Newcomb, County Treasurer,	
dog license money	136 17
Road Machinery Earnings	1189 50
Library Fines	1 63
Refunds—Day Property Insurance	3 55
Error 1941 check	3 20
Departmental balances	94 63
On Workmen's Insurance payment	20 00
Junk Dealer's License, Glenn O. Ellis	2 00

Junk Collector's License, Clarence Carey	\$	2	00
Reimbursement Soldiers' Relief		16	00
School Lunch Money		75	62
Recording fees and postage Redemption of Tax Title, Earl Sylvester		2	10
Town Hall Rents		10	50
Marion E. Whitney, Town Clerk, dog licenses		127	20
Commonwealth of Massachusetts			
School Fund No. 2		1262	54
Refund Gasoline Tax		2	85
Income Tax		892	52
Support Indigent Persons		117	00
Old Age Assistance—State		2008	21
Chapter 81		5122	08
Reimbursement, Loss of Taxes		650	67
Compensation Inspection of Animals and Stables		25	00
One-half Highway Fund—Chap. 420		1422	37
Vocational Education		249	00
Temporary Aid and Transportation		6	00
Old Age Assistance, Federal Grants Cases		3063	29
Administration		96	97
			<hr/>
			\$19959 70
Total			<hr/>
			\$40146 36

## PAYMENTS

Warrants			
Schools	\$	5695	27
Welfare and Expense Account		1753	46
Selectmen's Order Book		19292	36
William J. Newcomb, County Treasurer,			
Dog License money		67	80
School Lunch money		75	62
			<hr/>
			\$26884 51
Balance forward to Part 2			13261 85
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Total			\$40146 36

## PART II

September 14th, 1942 through November 9th, 1942

Balance forward \$13261 85

## RECEIPTS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	
United States Grants, Old Age Assistance, Federal Cases Administration	\$ 429 12 14 30
Ray M. Clark, 1941 Taxes	81 49
Interest	1 78
1942 Taxes	1448 18
Interest and costs	1 22
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	
Old Age Assistance	459 96
Chapter 81	564 88
High School Transportation	1855 00
Meal Tax	54 33
Superintendent of Small Towns	232 00
High School Tuition	1094 13
Town Hall Rents	12 00
School Lunch money	41 92
Reimbursement to Board of Public Welfare for aid given	43 00
Earnings of the Road Machinery	108 00
Birth Certificate purchased from town	
W. P. A. Department	25
Marion E. Whitney, dog license money	52 20
Bertram E. Russell, Redemption tax title interest and costs	17 62
Henry Haskins, assignment tax title of J. N. Oberg Estate, interest and costs	24 84

Refund on school bills (paid in duplicate)		
Ginn and Company	\$3 95	
Iroquois Publishing Company	5 15	
	<hr/>	\$6545 32
Total		<hr/> \$19807 17

## PAYMENTS

Warrants		
Schools	\$1672 73	
Welfare and Expense Account	226 45	
Federal Cases, Old Age Assistance	856 62	
Town cases, Old Age Assistance	828 38	
Selectmen's Order Book	2593 73	
	<hr/>	\$6177 91
Balance to J. P. Hartjens, Jr., Town Treasurer		\$13629 26
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Total		\$19807 17

OUTSTANDING BILLS TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT  
AS OF NOVEMBER 9, 1942

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,		
Refund Gas Tax	\$1 95	
Town Hall Rents	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$3 45

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TAX TITLE DEPARTMENT, 11-9-'42\*

William Hawkes, Greenfield, Mass.	\$70 48
Benjamin Fletcher, Athol, Mass.	53 21
Ethan Howard, Leverett, Mass.	18 46
Frederick Lyman, Montague, Mass.	10 52
Frederick Lyman, Montague, Mass.	21 43



Orange Lumber Co., (Vernon Cutter), Orange, Mass.	\$18 59	
		\$192 69

\*—Five parcels of this group are ready for foreclosure.

#### CEMETERY TRUST FUND BANK BOOKS—11-9-'43

Orange Savings Bank	
Book No. 518, Jane E. Williams	\$106 35
Book No. 6198, Almon C. Locke	156 32
Book No. 8388, W. H. Sawyer	105 74
Book No. 9379, Mark Bullard	106 98
Franklin Savings Institution	
Book No. 15103, Mary N. Phelps	209 52
Winchendon Savings Bank	
Book No. 21262, Harrison W. Ballard	268 60
Athol Savings Bank	
Book No. 54547, Calvin W. Perry	52 95

#### INVESTMENT FUND BANK BOOKS—11-9-'42

Shelburne Falls Savings Bank	
Book No. 5770	\$1733 22
Crocker Institution for Savings	
Book No. 17480	690 69
Greenfield Savings Bank	
Book No. 25991	683 74
Franklin Savings Institution	
Book No. 41323	153 33
Orange Savings Bank	
Book No. 7729	210 56
Athol Savings Bank	
Book No. 35206	739 88

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED A. GLIDDEN

Town Treasurer



## CEMETERY TRUST ACCOUNT

Mrs. Mary N. Phelps, No. 15103	\$211 62	
Harrison W. Ballard, No. 21262	272 62	
Calvin W. Perry, No. 54547	53 47	
Almon C. Locke, No. 6198	157 88	
Jane E. Williams, No. 518	107 41	
W. H. Sawyer, No. 8388	106 79	
Mark Bullard, No. 9379	108 04	
Total	<hr/>	\$1017 83

## TOWN OF WENDELL SPECIAL FUND

Shelburne Falls Savings Bank,		
Book No. 5770	\$1746 22	
Crocker Institute for Savings		
Book No. 17480	697 59	
Greenfield Savings Bank		
Book No. 25991	690 57	
Athol Savings Bank		
Book No. 35206	747 27	
The Franklin Savings Institution		
Book No. 41323	154 86	
Orange Savings Bank		
Book No. 7729	212 66	
Total	<hr/>	\$4249 17

J. P. HARTJENS, JR.

Treasurer

January 28, 1943

I have audited the books of the Town Treasurer to the best of my ability and find them correct.

RETA G. HOLLAND

Auditor

## Report of the Trustees of the Wendell Free Library

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Dog Fund \$136 17

We started the year with Mrs. Eunice Marcey as Librarian and all bills paid. Mrs. Marcey tendered her resignation to take effect March 7, and we then hired Reta G. Holland as Librarian to take over the duties March 8, 1942.

We have tried to keep within our allowance and take pride in stating that we have done this with the amount of \$26.35, which is to revert to free cash in the treasury.

Paid Mrs. Eunice O. Marcey, Librarian,	
from Jan. 1, 1942, to March 7, 1942	
10 weeks' salary, at \$1.00 per week	\$10 00
49 weeks' janitor service at 10c per week	4 90
Magazines	13 00
Book	1 00
Postage	36
	\$29 26

Due from Mrs. Eunice Marcey, over-pay- ment of 39 weeks' janitor service at 10 cents per week	\$3 90
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Paid Reta G. Holland, Librarian, from March 8, 1942 to December 31, 1942	
42 weeks' salary at \$1.00 per week	\$42 00
42 weeks' janitor service at 10c per week	4 20

New books	\$12 50	
New lock (for door) with extra keys	3 25	
New cellar windows for winter	4 00	
Magazines	3 00	
Mr. Herbert Thompson, wood	5 00	
Miscellaneous expenses	6 61	
	<hr/>	\$80 56

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CHAMPLIN  
RAYMOND E. HUTCHINSON

Library Trustees

## Report of the Librarian

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To the Trustees of the Wendell Free Library:

Beginning March 14, 1942 and ending December 26, 1942, one thousand two hundred eighty-four (1284) books were taken out of the library by both children and adults. During this same period five dollars and fifty-six (\$5.56) has been collected in fines and sales of magazines. This amount, plus fourteen cents (\$.14), which was in the box when I took charge, has been paid to the Town Treasurer. New books for the children and adults have been bought, also new material to make curtains for all the windows. We are very glad to report new readers have been added to the circulation list, consisting of both children and adults.

Miss E. Louise Jones, State Library Advisor and General Secretary Miss Catherine Yerxa, were at the library during the fall, discarding books that were in poor condition, and are having others that could be fixed put in good condition and sent back to be put into circulation once more.

There have been gifts of books to the library by the following persons: Miss Marvis Thompson, Mr. Eugene Hutchinson and Mrs. Mildred Glidden.

The Rationing Board has held some of its meetings in the library and the library has been opened every Saturday during the year by the Librarian; during the summer from 2 to 5 P. M., and during the winter from 1 to 4 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

RETA G. HOLLAND,  
Librarian

## Report of Board of Public Welfare

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To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that we, the undersigned members of the Board of Public Welfare, have closed our order book as of today. From January 1st, 1942, to December 31, 1942, inclusive, 323 orders were issued, amounting to \$2,205.91.

We also report that \$763.54 of the appropriation for use of this department remains unexpended and reverts to General Cash.

We also report that during the year the total cases aided were eleven. Seven cases were closed during the year, making a total of active cases as of the end of the year, four.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR B. LEWIS, Chairman  
AVERY H. HARRINGTON  
FRANK E. BALLOU

Board of Public Welfare

# Report of Board of Public Welfare for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1942

Case	Cash	Groceries	Dr. and Med.	Fuel, lights	Rent	Clo. Shoes	Misc.	Total
1		\$ 57 23	\$ 15 90	\$ 78 00	\$ 45 00			\$ 196 13
2	\$414 50	201 67	115 25	118 00	120 00	\$67 05	\$47 60	1084 07
3			2 50		55 00			57 50
4		85 64						85 64
5		84 54	1 00					85 54
6	141 00	48 23	37 40		2 50	13 95	11 00	254 08
7				10 00	125 00			135 00
8	30 00							30 00
13	32 00	128 96	45 55					206 51
18		40 30	12 80			4 34	9 00	66 44
22						5 00		5 00
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	\$617 50	\$646 57	\$230 40	\$206 00	\$347 50	\$90 34	\$67 60	\$2205 91
						Balance Unexpended		714 09
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Total Appropriation							\$	\$2920 00

## Expense Account

Statistics  
Stamps  
Supplies

\$ 75  
7 44  
1 55

Telephones	\$13 41	
Salary, Clerk	50 00	
Transportation	10 00	
Expense	17 40	
Total		\$100 55
Balance Unexpended		49 45
Total Appropriation		\$150 00

Note: The Welfare had eleven active cases as of January 1st, 1942, and four active cases as of December 31, 1942, a reduction of seven cases during the year.

Received from the Commonwealth during the year

Total Expenditures

Total Receipts

Due from Commonwealth, net expense

1941—1942 Bills Outstanding

53

\$1631 29	
2306 46	
1631 29	
	\$675 17
	534 98



# Bureau of Old Age Assistance Report for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1942

Case	Cash	Hospital	Medicine	Doctor	Burial	Trans. to Hosp.	Glasses	Total
5	\$440 00							\$440 00
6	440 00							440 00
10	440 00							440 00
12	440 00							440 00
13	440 00							440 00
14	340 00	\$15 00	\$5 85	\$ 3 00			\$18 00	381 85
17	360 00							360 00
20	360 00			2 50				362 50
21	365 00							365 00
23	440 00							440 00
24	440 00							440 00
30	360 00			14 50				374 50
31	440 00		1 20	16 00				457 20
32	360 00			8 00				368 00
33	440 00							440 00
34	440 00			15 50		\$30 00	19 50	505 00
36	436 01	23 50	68 35	131 25		5 00		664 11
37	440 00		90	36 00				476 90
38	360 00							360 00
39	360 00							360 00

40	\$432 00					\$432 00
41	240 00					240 00
42	100 00					100 00

\$8913 01	\$38 50	\$76 30	\$226 75	\$35 00	\$37 50	\$9327 06
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Total Cases  
Administration

\$9327 06  
104 08

Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Received from U. S. Grants  
Received from U. S. Administration

\$9431 14  
3066 53  
5327 41  
139 09

Due from Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Due from U. S. Grants, November  
Due from U. S. Grants, December  
Due from Ware, Mass.

\$8533 03  
1757 75  
417 50  
417 50  
110 18

Necessary to raise \$188.23 to pay outstanding Old Age Assistance bills.

\$2702 93

OLD AGE ADMINISTRATION JANUARY 1ST TO  
DECEMBER 31, 1942

C. A. Lewis	Jan.	May	Total	
Stamps	\$5 00	\$5 00	\$10 00	
Louise J. Clark	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	
Salary as clerk	\$10 00	\$10 00	\$4 00	\$24 00
C. H. Demond & Co.	May	Aug.	Dec.	
Stationery, supplies and repairs to typewriter	\$1 98	25	\$12 50	\$14 73
Avery H. Harrington	May	Aug.	Nov.	
Transportation pertaining to O. A. A.	\$6 00	\$5 00	\$5 00	\$16 00
Thomas Groom & Co.	July			
O. A. A. ledger	\$9 00			\$9 00
Am. Ry. Express Co.	July			
Express on ledger	35			35
Salaries of members			Dec.	
			\$30 00	\$30 00
Total				<u>\$104 08</u>

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January 13, 1943

I have audited the books of the clerk of the Old Age Assistance to the best of my ability and find them to be correct.

RETA G. HOLLAND, Auditor

## **Report of an Audit of the Accounts of the Town of Wendell**

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To the Board of Selectmen,

Mr. Charles M. Ballou, Chairman,  
Wendell, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Wendell for the period from July 28, 1940, to September 12, 1942, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,

Director of Accounts

TNW:MC

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Wendell for the period from July 28, 1940, the date of the previous audit, to September 12, 1942, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing town funds or sending out bills for collection, were examined and checked in detail.

Ledger accounts were compiled, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared, showing the financial condition of the town on September 12, 1942.

The accounts of the treasurer were examined and checked. Since an early attempt to reconcile the treasurer's cash indicated a discrepancy, it was necessary to make an exhaustive check of these accounts. The treasurer has served as clerk of the selectmen and board of public welfare, making out the selectmen's warrants, which, when approved by the board, authorize the treasurer to disburse town funds. The examination showed that warrants have been kept open from one selectmen's meeting to another, with items added from time to time, while payments were actually made by checks drawn and sent out from one week to two months in advance of the date when the items paid were placed on the warrants and approved.

The cash book was not written up to date at the time the audit started, and a request for original bills and vouchers was met by a statement that all of these records prior to February 8, 1942, were burned in a fire that destroyed the home, (by C. A. Clark,) of the chairman of the selectmen where the records were stored.

The cash book was subsequently written up, and the recorded receipts were checked and verified by comparison with the records and information at the sources from which money

was paid into the town treasury, being compared with the deposits in the bank.

The payments as entered on the cash book were checked with the selectmen's warrants and with the cancelled checks on file. It was noted that in numerous cases the name of the payee as appearing on the check did not correspond with the name on the warrant or in the cash book, many such checks being drawn to Mildred A. Glidden or the Town of Wendell, as well as to other persons and firms.

When this point was reached, advantage was taken of an opportunity offered to compare the payments as shown by the town records and checks with the books and records of a firm doing business with the town. This comparison covered the period of the audit and it was found that, while the records of the town showed eighteen payments aggregating \$280.66 during the period, the record of the company showed twelve credits for a total of \$233.66. Six checks representing payments made by the town but not credited on the books of the firm were located, and an examination showed that these checks were made out to Mildred A. Glidden. This situation was brought to the treasurer's attention and she admitted retaining the amount of the checks referred to and additional amounts from other fictitious bills which had been placed on the warrant as follows:

July 28 to December 31, 1940, 16 bills for	\$205 25
1941, 37 bills for	428 44
January 1 to September 12, 1942, 35 bills for	94 63
Total	<hr/> \$728 32

From this amount was deducted \$186, salary due the treasurer, making a net shortage of \$542.32 resulting from these transactions. The cash shortage was increased to a total amount of \$1,133, due to receipts unaccounted for, as shown by a reconciliation of the cash on September 12, 1942, which was proved by actual count of the cash on hand and by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement obtained from the bank of deposit.



The amount due from the treasurer was paid to the town and deposited in the bank on October 26, 1942, and the treasurer submitted her resignation. The audit of the treasurer's accounts was brought up to November 9, 1942, on which date the cash balance was again proved by reconciliation of the bank account and by examination of the bank books representing the investment of the Town Farm Investment Fund and the Cemetery Perpetual Care funds.

The computation of the tax rates by the assessors was checked for the period covered by the audit. It was noted that \$50 appropriated from available funds at the annual town meeting March 3, 1941, and \$50 appropriated at a special meeting April 21, 1941, were not used in the computation of the 1941 tax rate. The assessors should exercise great care in determining the tax rates so that Section 23, Chapter 59, General Laws, may be fully complied with.

The receipts of the town clerk for dog and sporting licenses were checked with the records of licenses issued. The payments to the treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game were verified and the cash on hand September 12, 1942, was proved by actual count.

The books and accounts of the tax collectors were examined and checked. The tax accounts outstanding according to the previous examination, and all subsequent commitment lists of taxes, were audited and proved with the assessors' warrants. The collections as recorded were checked to the commitment books, the payments to the treasurer were verified, the recorded abatements were proved by comparison with the assessors' record of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved. The cash on hand was verified by actual count.

The outstanding accounts were further verified by mailing notices to all persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received it appears that the outstanding accounts, as listed, are correct.

The selectmen's records of licenses granted were checked with the record of licenses issued and the payments to the treasurer were verified.



It is recommended that a complete record of all library receipts be kept, so that a proper audit may be made of these accounts.

The record of bills sent out for collection by the public welfare department, including the bureau of old age assistance, for soldiers' relief, and by the health department were examined and checked. The departmental records of charges were analyzed, the recorded collections were compared with the payments to the treasurer, the disallowances and abatements were checked, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

The recorded receipts for municipal building rentals were checked, the payments to the treasurer were verified, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

The transfers from the reserve fund, locally called the contingent fund, were compared with the authorizations for transfers made by the selectmen as recorded in the selectmen's record book.

The accounts of the sealer of weights and measures were examined. The receipts were checked with the record of work done, and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

The surety bonds of the treasurer, tax collectors, and the town clerk for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

It was noted that, between January 1 and the annual town meeting in 1942, the selectmen authorized the payment of a bill incurred in the previous year for repairs to and parts for town-owned equipment, totaling \$96.95. Attention is called to the provisions of Chapter 179 of the Acts of 1941, which permits the appropriation for bills incurred in a prior year only by a four-fifths vote of an annual town meeting or a nine-tenths vote at a special town meeting.

It was noted that a member of the board of selectmen acts as road superintendent and receives compensation for this service in addition to his remuneration as selectman, in which connection attention is called to the fact that a town board may not appoint one of its number to another office or position unless such appointment is authorized by vote of the town, as pro-

vided by Section 4A, Chapter 41, General Laws. The salary of such appointee must be fixed by vote of the town.

Attention is also called to Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, which provides that salaries of elected officers of a town shall be fixed by vote of the town.

For the co-operation extended by the town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE

HBD:MC

Assistant Director of Accounts

# **TOWN OF WENDELL**

Balance Sheet—September 12, 1942

## **GENERAL ACCOUNTS**

### **ASSETS**

Cash:  
 General \$13261 85  
 Town Farm Investment Fund 4211 42  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$17473 27

### **Accounts Receivable:**

Taxes:  
 Levy of 1940 \$ 450 00  
 Levy of 1941 792 94  
 Levy of 1942 5973 25  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$7216 19

### **Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:**

Levy of 1942 \$ 31 26

### **Tax Titles**

228 29

### **LIABILITIES AND RESERVES**

State Tax \$ 750 00  
 State Parks and Reservations Tax 12 81  
 State Audit of Municipal Accounts 58 79  
 County Tax 683 15  
 Dog License Fees—due County 59 40  
 Sale of Real Estate Fund 1000 00  
 Town Farm Investment Fund 4211 42  
 Road Machinery Fund 1503 00  
 Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus 3335 44

### **Overlays Reserved for Abatements:**

Levy of 1940 \$259 84  
 Levy of 1941 253 74  
 Levy of 1942 198 63  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$712 21



# TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities	\$1256 46	School Fund	\$ 250 00
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	1006 46
	<hr/>		<hr/>
	\$1256 46		\$1256 46

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*School Department*  
—of the—  
*Town of Wendell*  
—for the—  
*Year Ending December 31*  
*1942*

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Warren S. Oliver, Chairman	Term expires 1944
Lydia M. Ellis, Secretary	Term expires 1945
Plin H. Wetherby	Term expires 1943

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

(Erving, Leverett, New Salem, Shutesbury, Wendell)

EDWIN A. COX

B. S. in Education, Boston University, 1932

M. S. in Education, University of Maine, 1939

Office: Home Arts Building, Main Street, New Salem

Telephone: Orange 736-M2

Residence: Main Street, New Salem

Telephone: Orange 736-M3

Mail Address: P. O. Box 13, New Salem, Massachusetts

The superintendent may be seen by appointment at your convenience.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

KIRKE L. ALEXANDER, M. D.                      Orange, Mass.

SCHOOL NURSE

MRS. JOYCE POOLE MATHIEU, R. N.              Orange, Mass.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

MICHAEL W. CARROLL                      Millers Falls, Mass.

WORK PERMITS

MRS. GLENN O. ELLIS                      Wendell, Mass.

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

Open January 4, 1943—7 weeks              Close February 19, 1943  
(Vacation one week)

Open March 1, 1943—7 weeks              Close April 16, 1943  
(Vacation one week)

Open April 26, 1943—7 weeks              Close June 11, 1943  
(Summer vacation)

Open September 8, 1943—16 weeks              Close December 22, 1943  
(Christmas vacation)

Open January 3, 1944—7 weeks              Close February 18, 1944  
(Vacation one week)

Open February 28, 1944—7 weeks              Close April 14, 1944  
(Vacation one week)



Open April 24, 1944—7 weeks

Close June 9, 1944

(Summer vacation)

Schools are not in session on Saturdays, legal holidays, from noon of the day preceding Thanksgiving, to the following Monday, one day for the Elementary School Conference at Amherst, and one day for teachers to visit other school systems.

The School Calendar may be subject to change for the best interests of the present emergency.

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### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Funds Available

\$10000 00

## Expenditures

School Committee	\$ 112 50
Superintendent	416 46
Teachers	2676 80
Textbooks	168 50
Supplies	97 34
Janitors	412 88
Fuel	190 00
Miscellaneous Operating Expense	47 51
Repairs and Replacements	42 86
Health	296 95
Elementary Transportation	787 25
High School Transportation	2843 70
Elementary Tuition	70 00
High School Tuition	1116 25
Vocational Tuition	721 00

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 \$10000 00

## EXPENDITURES ITEMIZED

## School Committee

Warren S. Oliver

\$37 50

Lydia M. Ellis	\$37 50	
Plin H. Wetherby	37 50	
	<hr/>	\$112 50

### Superintendent

Edwin A. Cox		
Salary	\$348 00	
Travel	48 00	
Office, Telephone, Rationing and Convention Expense	15 46	
Lydia M. Ellis, School Census	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$416 46

### Teachers

Lucille M. Lewis	\$900 00	
Mary L. Desmarais	482 48	
Anna M. Gage	482 48	
Anna G. Foley	432 32	
Mary Lally	367 52	
Helen J. Stone	4 00	
Kathryn S. Flagg	4 00	
Eunice B. Fiske	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$2676 80

### Textbooks

Scott, Foresman Company	\$26 62
Ginn and Company	42 78
Laidlaw Brothers, Inc.	5 31
The Macmillan Company	10 35
O. H. Toothaker	23 91
D. C. Heath Company	19 00
United Publishers Service	13 24
American Education Press, Inc.	3 58
Iroquois Publishing Company, Inc.	10 30
The Benton Review Shop	7 91

The L. W. Singer Company	\$2 21	
Barrett and Baker	1 20	
Webster Publishing Company	2 19	
	<hr/>	\$168 50

**Supplies**

World Book Company	\$ 6 05	
Dowling School Supply Company	65 96	
Deland's Music Store	63	
James W. Brine Company, Inc.	6 48	
J. L. Hammett Company	4 15	
Edward E. Babb and Company, Inc.	8 10	
National Education Association	1 10	
Enterprise and Journal	4 87	
	<hr/>	\$97 34

**Janitors**

Ruth Champlin	\$293 00	
Herbert Thompson	98 50	
Masury-Young Company	18 88	
Clarence Pratt	1 00	
Harry Pratt	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$412 88

**Fuel**

Glenn O. Ellis	\$150 00	
Herbert Thompson	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$190 00

**Repairs and Replacements**

Gray's Drapery Shop	\$17 90	
Philip Nystrom	1 90	
Henry Champlin	2 00	
Orange Lumber Company	1 10	

Orange Hardware Company	\$ 1 51	
Spooner Brothers	18 45	
	<hr/>	\$42 86

### Miscellaneous Operating Expense

Herbert Thompson	\$ 7 90	
Ruth Champlin	1 20	
Orange Hardware Company	9 52	
Warren S. Oliver	20 00	
Ray Clark	1 00	
Mildred A. Glidden	3 95	
Stowell Brothers	30	
Philip Elmer	3 64	
	<hr/>	\$47 51

### Health

Mrs. Joyce P. Mathieu, R. N.	\$250 00	
Kirke L. Alexander, M. D.	40 00	
Enterprise and Journal	68	
Orange Drug Store	6 27	
	<hr/>	\$296 95

### Elementary Transportation

Ray Clark	\$248 00	
Arthur B. Lewis	187 25	
Maude Merchant	352 00	
	<hr/>	\$787 25

### Out-of-town Transportation

Arthur B. Lewis, High School	\$1246 00	
Rita Goddard, Elementary	9 60	
Ray Clark, High School	1044 50	
Maude Merchant, High School	461 60	
Town of Erving, High School	50 00	
J. H. Hinman, High School	32 00	
	<hr/>	\$2843 70

**Elementary Tuition**

Town of Erving	\$35 00	
Town of New Salem	35 00	
	<hr/>	\$70 00

**High School Tuition**

Town of Orange	\$390 00	
Town of New Salem	726 25	
	<hr/>	\$1116 25

**Vocational Tuition**

Town of New Salem	\$721 00	
	<hr/>	\$721 00
Total Expended		<hr/> \$10000 00

**NET COST OF SCHOOLS, 1942**

Expended by the School Department in 1942		\$10000 00
Received by the Town Treasurer from the State of Mass. in 1942		
School Fund, Part 1, (account teachers' salaries)	\$ 800 00	
School Fund, Part 2, (based on town valuation)	1262 54	
High School Transportation	1855 00	
Aid to Independent Industrial Schools (Vocational)	249 00	
Superintendent of Schools	232 00	
Tuition of Children (State Wards)	202 24	
High School Tuition	1094 13	
Total Reimbursements	<hr/>	\$5694 91

Actual net cost to Wendell for its public  
schools for the year 1942

\$4305 09

Approximately 57 cents on each dollar appropriated was  
reimbursed to the town in 1942.

#### NET COST OF VARIOUS SCHOOL ITEMS FOR 1942

	Paid in 1942	State Reimburse- ment	Net Cost to Town
Teachers	\$2676 80	\$800 00	\$1876 80
High School Transportation	2834 10	1855 00	979 10
Vocational Tuition	721 00	249 00	472 00
High School Tuition	1116 25	1094 13	22 12
Superintendent of Schools (Salary and Travel)	396 00	232 24	163 76

# Report of the Superintendent of Schools

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To the School Committee and Citizens of Wendell:

Your superintendent of schools is pleased to submit his second annual report.

The annual report of the school department is prepared with the hope that it will serve as a good interpreter of the school finances, activities, condition of the buildings, attendance, and health, as well as the educational policies and developments.

## CHANGES IN PERSONNEL

### Resignations:

Mary L. Desmarais, Center School, Grades 5-8

Anna M. Gage, Center School, Grades 1-4

### Appointments:

Anna G. Foley, Center School, Grades 5-8

Mary Lally, Center School, Grades 1-4

With the turn-over of teachers this past year, much greater than for many years past, we were destined to lose both teachers in the Center School. They had fulfilled their duties remarkably well and their resignations were accepted with regret by the townspeople of Wendell.

Miss Anna G. Foley, a teacher with many years of valuable teaching experience, was appointed to the principalship of the Center School. Miss Foley is to be complimented for the splendid work that she did during her short stay in Wendell.



Miss Foley resigned in December to accept the principalship of the Millers Falls School.

Miss Mary P. Lally was appointed teacher in the lower grades of the Center School. She has capably carried out her duties and is an excellent teacher. Miss Lally resigned at the end of the year to accept a position in the Boxboro school system. She will leave to take up her new duties February 1, 1943.

Because of the low salaries offered in Wendell, it is becoming increasingly difficult to replace the teachers who resign to accept positions in other school systems offering much more money.

### 100 PER CENT N. E. A.

"As educators unite in the mobilization of schools for all-out war effort, the National Education Association reports 6,841 Massachusetts teachers last year gave aid to this program through membership in their professional organization. Teachers in the Erving School Union rate at the top, maintaining 100 per cent enrolment in the N. E. A. for seven consecutive years." (From a letter to the Recorder-Gazette, written by the Office of Public Relations, N. E. A.)

It is an honor to lead the state in this respect and much praise should be given to Mr. Edmund R. Sawyer, whose foresight and efforts seven years ago laid the foundation that made this achievement possible.

The teachers are, also, to be commended for the many hours contributed to rationing and similar activities. This is in addition to the time spent in such activities as Red Cross work, First Aid, Canteen and Production Services, and Civilian Defense duties such as those of air raid warden, auxiliary police and airplane spotter.

Teachers in the Erving Union are serving in the above capacities as well as many others in the field of National Defense.

Under the supervision of these teachers our school children bought hundreds of dollars worth of war stamps and bonds, worked hard in Victory Gardens, and participated enthusiastically

cally in the salvage campaigns. Every classroom in Union No. 38 is enrolled in the American Junior Red Cross.

The ideas and adeals of our forefathers have been viewed and reviewed for generations in our public schools. It is especially important that they be rehearsed at the present time during this great emergency. The world is confronted with two divergent theories of government. On the one hand is the totalitarian state. On the other hand is democracy.

Our schools have gone all-out for victory and the preservation of our democracy.

### IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS

During the past year many improvements have been made in the textbook materials in the Wendell schools. In order to maintain efficient teaching, the tools of the profession must be renewed, supplemented, and revised from time to time.

New supplementary readers are being used in the upper grades of the Center School. New English texts are proving their worth in grades seven and eight. Work books in history, geography, and arithmetic are being used along with the regular texts in most of the classes.

This past summer Mr. Champlin started to use a floor preparation that is, in our opinion, much better than the old type of floor oil. It eliminates the oily surface that was previously noticeable.

The curtains of the Center School were repaired and placed in excellent order during the past summer.

In the Northwest School, the stove was repaired this fall. It was our expectation that the school would receive a new coat of paint inside and out, but this hope did not materialize.

### THE SCHOOL BUDGET

School support absorbs a large part of the public funds of your community and naturally the business management of the funds is of major importance.

For the year 1943 there must be more money available

for the public schools of Wendell. Some of the many reasons for the need of an increased budget are:

- (1) Teachers' salaries are greater.
- (2) Supplies and textbooks are higher in price.
- (3) More pupils are attending high school.
- (4) Transportation costs are greater.
- (5) Fuel will cost more in 1943.
- (6) Repairs and replacements will be more expensive.
- (7) Miscellaneous operating costs will increase.

With the present increase in high school enrollment and the expected further increase in 1943, it is necessary to allot more money to that portion of the school budget. The fall term just completed shows a total enrollment of twenty high school pupils. It is expected that the number will be approximately twenty-five in September. On October 1, 1941 the number attending high school was fifteen.

The transportation cost of high school pupils during the year 1943 is \$2834.10 compared to \$2808.20 in 1941. This is an increase of \$25.80 over the 1941 figures. A considerable portion of this amount is given back to the town through state reimbursements.

The two items where the major increases are foreseen are those of teachers' salaries and high school tuition. The total increase expected in these two items is approximately \$1,000. Together with these and increases in prices of supplies, textbooks, repairs, fuel, and miscellaneous operating expenses, it is necessary to increase the budget approximately 13% over last year's figures.

It is well to remember that there will be an increase in state reimbursements to partially offset this increased budget.

## OTHER REPORTS

Your attention is directed to the appended reports of Mrs. Joyce Poole Mathieu, R. N., and Dr. Kirke L. Alexander, M. D. May I supplement their enthusiasm and satisfaction in the

school lunch program with a word of thanks to all who have assisted in making it possible and a whole-hearted wish that the program be continued.

### CONCLUSION

In closing, I quote a paragraph taken from a current issue of the School Executive Magazine. It is from an article written by Superintendent Kincaid of Summit, N. J., school system.

"It is not enough for our schools of today to be good schools. The problem of reorganization of social, economic, and political affairs after the war are frightening in scope. They aren't going to be solved overnight from ready-made formulae, but through patient, persistent, and intelligent understanding and co-operation. The schools have an important contribution to make. The price is but a drop in the bucket when compared with the cost of the war, even to date. To meet the challenge before us the education of our youth must be more than just good: it must be the best that we can conceive."

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the citizens, school committee, town officials, and fellow-workers for co-operating with me in the welfare of the schools of Wendell.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN A. COX,

Superintendent of Schools

## STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1942

School	Teacher	Grades	Enrol- ment	Ave. Mem.	Ave. Att.	Pct. Att.
Center	Mary L. Desmarais	5-8	34	29.01	26.76	92.26
Center	Anna Gage	1-4	21	18.91	17.48	92.46
Northwest	Lucille M. Lewis	1-8	12	11.77	10.69	90.54
			67	59.69	54.93	91.75
Number of Schoolrooms						3
Number of weeks of school						37
Number of days of school						176

## TEACHERS, 1942-1943

Teacher	Grades	Where Educated	Service
Lucille M. Lewis	1-8	North Adams Teachers' College	Sept. 1933-Date
Mary L. Desmarais	5-8	Lady of the Elms	Sept. 1942- June 1942
Anna Gage	1-4	Framingham State Teachers' College	Oct. 1942- June 1942
Anna J. Foley	5-8	Gorham Teachers' College	Sept. 1942- Dec. 1942
Mary P. Lally	1-4	Perry Kindergarten Normal	Sept. 1942-Date



## AGE—GRADE TABLE

## Elementary School

(October 1, 1942)

Grade	Ages In Years						Ages In Years						Total
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
1		4	1										5
2			3	4									7
3				4	1								5
4				1	4	2							7
5						2	2	3	2				9
6						4	2	1	2	1			10
7							1	7	1		1		10
8								2	3	1			6
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		4	4	9	5	8	5	13	8	2	1		59

## REGISTRATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MINORS

(October 1, 1942)

Ages	5—7	7—14	14—16	Totals
Boys	4	27	14	45
Girls	3	17	6	26
	—	—	—	—
Totals	7	44	20	71
Number in school	6	44	19	69
Number not in school	1	0	1	2
	—	—	—	—
Totals	7	44	20	71

Number of pupils attending high schools October 1, 1942	
Orange High School	3
New Salem Academy	17
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Total	20

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PERFECT ATTENDANCE

1941—1942

September—January

Bernard Dodge Harold Bezio Norman Taylor Nelson Bezio

February—June

Arthur Plante Norman Taylor Harold Bezio Richard Bezio

For the Entire Year

Harold Bezio

Norman Taylor



## Report of School Physician

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Orange, Mass., January 10, 1943

Mr. Edwin A. Cox,  
Superintendent of Schools  
Wendell, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

In making my report for 1942, I would like to emphasize strongly the great improvement in nutrition, posture, weight, and general health in these children who have had the school lunches. I wish we could have figures to show exactly how much healthier these children are, but I believe it is apparent to anyone. I sincerely hope that this lunch will be continued.

Take just one evidence of poor nutrition—dental cases. Out of 58 pupils examined, 45 needed dental work. This need has been largely met, but I feel sure that a continuation of the school lunch will show that all children will have better teeth in the future.

Respectfully yours,

KIRKE L. ALEXANDER, M. D.

School Physician

## Report of the Public Health and School Nurse

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The Public Health program of 1942 has been conducted in a manner in keeping with the present emergency as far as has been possible.

In the schools, in addition to the annual physical examination by the school physician, arrangement for the weighing, measuring, eye tests, hearing tests, etc., and follow-up visits on children needing further help, there has been more attention paid to the study of nutrition.

In connection with this, the boys in charge of the white rat feeding demonstration carried on at the Millers Falls school, Erving, were brought into the schools to tell of the results of their findings and to show the animals. The children were not only impressed by the presence of the animals at school but also by the story their caretakers told. Although both rats were of the same litter, and were fed on the same diet of bread and fresh vegetables, one with milk to drink, the other with coffee, they made a marked contrast in appearance and behavior. The milk-fed rat had grown to weigh 37 grams while his brother, fed on coffee, had grown only 14 grams during the same period of time. They were not only different in size but also in their actions as the milk fed one was sleek and good natured while the coffee fed brother was rough furred, irritable and restless.

The more knowledge of nutrition we have, or of what foods make for health, the more apt we are to control the "Four Horse-

men" accompanying war, "Famine", "Disease", "Pestilence" and "Death." Nothing that could be done could have the lasting and beneficial effect on getting nutrition information into use as having a school lunch project.

The school lunch program which has been functioning during most of the school year of 1942 is one of which Wendell may well be proud! No other town in the area can boast of such progressive action in an attempt to improve the health and welfare of its children! The continued support in the form of contributions by the parents shows that the hot lunch at noon is more than appreciated and surely no one, having visited at the time the meal was being served, could fail to sense the feeling of well-being realized by the children as they proceeded to consume the nicely prepared, nicely served, well balanced meal on school days at the Wendell Town Hall. Townspeople are welcome to visit the project at any time.

"Defence and security depend on a healthy nation." Food chemists and nutritionists have proven that "we are what we eat." Just as truly as an "army travels on its stomach" so does the army of defence workers. Remember that it takes from 15 to 18 workers on the home front to keep one man on the war front. It is the personal responsibility of every individual to keep well, not just alive, but WELL. To do this, one must see to it that he gets a good breakfast in the morning, (not just coffee and doughnuts), a good lunch, (not just a sandwich and a "coke") and a good supper as well as enough rest and sleep.

It is true that it is some problem to keep ourselves alive! Accidental deaths in our country among industrial workers averaged one every 20 minutes from January 1 up to November 1, 1942. From December 8, 1941 until December 8, 1942 there were more than four times as many deaths from accidents among the civilian population of this country than lost by our armed forces (including Pearl Harbor) during this same period. These facts should encourage service men and their loved ones as it shows them to have several more

chances of survival than the rest of us have. However, it takes 15 to 18 men on the home front to keep a man at the war front so that the loss of a worker and work hours from loss of time due to accidents, etc., may seriously affect the war effort, to say nothing of the pain, suffering, cost, etc., to individuals. Accidents are due to carelessness or unawareness of hazards. Everyone must be on the look-out to prevent accidents.

To help people in preventing illness, accidents, fatigue and other conditions which result in lost time, the Franklin County Chapter of the American Red Cross is offering courses in Home Nursing, First Aid and Nutrition in your community. Certainly every mother should attend the classes in Home Nursing and Nutrition, as with the doctors and nurses being called to the service it is even more necessary to know how to keep well, to prevent sickness. For information about the courses inquire of Mrs. Joseph Hartjens.

The Red Cross Home Nursing Course was given to a group of women, meetings being held at the school and in the homes of class members. Six successfully completed the course.

Child Guidance clinics were arranged for as usual in the schools so that all first graders received a psychiatric examination.

Well-Child conferences were arranged for with the assistance of the local Red Cross Nursing Activities Committee. Twelve children attended and of this number 10 had not been vaccinated against small pox and six needed inoculations against diphtheria. Only 21% of the total number of children attending Well-Child conferences in the area of Erving, Leverett, Shutesbury, New Salem, Warwick and Wendell were found to be vaccinated. Protection of children against diphtheria in the area is better—or 70%. It is so much easier to PREVENT than to CURE. With people coming into Massachusetts from every state, some with few health facilities compared with what we have, to work long and hard hours, there is bound to be an



increase in cases of disease, unless everyone acts. It is just good sense to prevent as many diseases as possible from ever getting started. The more protected children there are, the less is the chance of an occasional case spreading.

Dental clinics were conducted in the schools following the dental examination of the school children who had not already gone to private dentists. Dr. Glade P. Hall, D. D. S. of Florence acted as the Red Cross Dental Clinic dentist as usual. Of the 78 enrolled, 26 had all necessary dental defects corrected. Eight were found to be free of dental defects at the examination, making 44% with no dental defects in June at the close of school. One had part of the necessary work done at the clinic which left 43 having dental defects but having no correction. This is not a very good record, but it will be improved this coming school year.

An authority on Public Health once said, "Let me look into a child's mouth and I will tell you what kind of parents he has." An uncared for mouth (teeth) shows lack of attention of any kind to the maintenance of health, whether it be a child or an adult. It shows lack of interest, weakness of character, and poor habits, and may result in years of invalidism from arthritis, or heart disease, even death from general infection of the body. With available health services in this area there should be no children needing dental care not getting it. With better incomes being received adults should take care of their own teeth before serious conditions set in from past neglect.

Records of dental defects and corrections among school children from 1931—32 (school year September through June) to 1941—42 in the towns of Erving, Leverett, Shutesbury, New Salem, Warwick and Wendell in which the writer serves as school nurse show some interesting facts. In 1931—32 of 555 children enrolled in the schools of the area only 88 children were examined. Eighty-four needed dental care. Forty-seven had all necessary work completed at the Red Cross dental clinic. Five went to private dentists. Of the 224 operations performed

at the clinics 111 were fillings and 66 were extractions, (10 were extractions of permanent teeth.) In 1941—42 we find that of the 529 total enrollment 421 were examined and 387 needed care. One hundred and fifty-six children had all necessary dental corrections at the clinics and 60 went to private dentists. Of the 593 operations done at the clinic 398 were fillings and 121 extractions (with only 21 of permanent teeth.) Although twice as many children attended the clinics, better than three times as many fillings were put in and only twice the number of extractions necessary. Twelve times as many pupils went to private dentists! This shows a great improvement but it also shows that we are a long way from our aim of adequate dental care for each child.

We cannot close the subject of care of the teeth of school children without reporting upon the fact that the primary room at Erving had 100% dental correction among its 30 pupils. Caroline Ford Hall, the teacher, and parents of these little people proved that it can be done. At this school especially, parents and pupils are seeing for themselves that regular dental care to the baby teeth, and attention to diet saves dental bills as they go on in school. Eleven of the 25 pupils enrolled in the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades at Erving last year were found to be free of dental defects when examined by the dentist. Some of them needed cleanings due to careless brushing, but there were no cavities. This is an unusually high percent of "no dental defects" but for the past few years the children having had regular dental care, seldom need more than two operations (fillings or extractions), while those not having dental work done each year, need from five to eight operations.

Throughout the year special examinations at clinics, or at a doctor's office, operations, etc., have been arranged for whenever indicated. Attending physicians were assisted at two deliveries and at two minor operations.

Accomplishments to date are due to the splendid cooperation on the part of teachers, parents, interested citizens and town

officials. Going over what has been done gives us a feeling of satisfaction, at the same time reminding us of how much more there is to do. Until every individual in the community knows how to prevent disease and does something about it whenever the opportunity arises, until everyone knows how to keep well and sees that he or she practices all known rules of health, we will still have the job of spreading Public Health information, that one commodity which becomes more valuable to every individual as it is shared with others.

Respectfully submitted,

JOYCE POOLE MATHIEU, R. N.,

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American Red Cross

Public Health Nurse

Read and Approved by:

Helen M. Wheeler, Chairman

Public Health Nursing Service

Franklin County Chapter

American Red Cross



## Table of Aggregates

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Number of polls assessed		123
Number assessed on real estate		218
Number assessed on personal property		63
Number of horses assessed		30
Number of cows assessed		72
Number of neat cattle assessed other than cows		38
Number of sheep assessed		14
Number of swine assessed		1
Number of fowl assessed		670
Number of all others assessed		17
Number of acres of land assessed	14,692½ acres, 104 sq. ft.	
Assessed value of personal estate	\$ 74251 50	
Assessed value of real estate	187630 00	
Total valuation	<hr/>	\$261881 50
Tax on personal property	\$2227 53	
Tax on real estate	5628 90	
Tax on polls	246 00	
Total tax	<hr/>	\$8102 43
1942 Motor Excise Tax		\$481 17
1942 Number of Cars Taxed		117

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES M. BALLOU  
WILLIAM D. BOWEN  
CURTIS E. TUCKER

Board of Assessors

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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Franklin, ss.

To Rubert V. Goddard, Constable of the Town of Wendell,  
in the County of Franklin: Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Wendell, on Monday the First day of March next, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose all on one ballot, One Selectman, one Assessor, one School Committee, one Cemetery Commissioner, one Trustee of Library, one Board of Welfare, all for three years; one Tax Collector, one Town Treasurer, one Town Clerk, one Tree Warden, one Constable, two or more field drivers, fence viewers, surveyors of wood, bark and lumber, and one Auditor, all for one year.

All of the above named officers are in accordance with the vote of town to be chosen on one ballot under provisions of Chapter 835, Acts of 1913.

ART. 3. To hear the reports of Town Officers, and act thereon.

ART. 4. To see if the town will vote the money from the Dog Fund to Library, or act thereon.

ART. 5. To see if the town will fix the salaries of all elected Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote from the machinery earnings fund a sum of money, for the purpose of purchasing, repairing, and operating road machinery, or pass any votes in relation thereto.

ART. 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day, or act thereon.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Tree Warden, or act thereon.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of the gypsy moths, or act thereon.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the use of the Cemetery Commissioners, or act thereon.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the repair of the Town Hall roof, or take any action thereon.

ART. 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for maintenance of posts and railings, or act thereon.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for bridges, or act thereon.

ART. 14. To see if the town will vote to bond its town officers and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to take out

workmen's compensation and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used as a contingency fund or act thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Chapter 90 maintenance or act thereon.

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to appoint the selectmen as agents to prosecute action on suit for or in behalf of the town and to defend any suit or suits brought against the town or its officials and with authority to employ counsel, or act thereon.

ART. 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the school committee to close the Mormon Hollow school and to transport the children to the Center school, or take any action thereon.

ART. 20 To see if the town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expense for the ensuing year.

ART. 21. To see if the town will authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1943, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

ART. 22. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from free cash \$100.00 to be used by the Rationing Board.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise the wages of the town help 20%.

ART. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure the town equipment on the highways.

ART. 25. To see if the town will vote to pay outstanding bills for O. A. A. to the amount of \$188.23; the Board of Welfare to the amount of \$12.88, and the Road Machinery Department to the amount of \$54.25. And raise and appropriate money for same, or act thereon.

ART. 26 To see if the town will vote to purchase War Bonds, and raise and appropriate money for same, or act thereon.

ART. 27. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The polls will be open at 12.00 o'clock noon, and may be closed at 7.30 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Wendell and Wendell Depot, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twentieth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-three.

CHARLES M. BALLOU  
ARTHUR B. LEWIS  
FRANK E. BALLOU

Selectmen of Wendell

A true copy. Attest:

RUBERT V. GODDARD

Constable of Wendell

